JANARTHANAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated production of cotton in cotton producing States during 1990-91;

(b) whether the Government propose to increase the support price of cotton; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) The estimates of cotton production for major producing States for 1990-91 are given in the attached Statement.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The recommendations of the CACP on the subject have been received. The Government is likely to announce its decision shortly.

STATEMENT

Estimated Production of Cotton in Cotton Producing States during 1990-91

State	*Estimated Production (in thousand bales of 170 kgs each)*
1. Andhra Pradesh	1250
2. Gujarat	1390
3. Haryana	1050
4. karnataka	654
5. Madhya Pradesh	381
6. Maharashtra	1880
7. Punjab	1909
8. Rajasthan	918
9. Tamil Nadu	530
10. Others	38
All India	10,000

Waiting List for New Telephone Connections in Maharashtra

3897. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons on the waiting list for telephone connections in Maharashtra, district-wise; and

(b) the steps taken to clear the waiting list?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The information is given in the attached Statement.

(b) The expansion plans have been drawn for clearing the waiting list progressively by March 1995.

STATEMENT

Number of persons on waiting list district-wise in Maharashtra as on 31.7.1991

S.No.	*Name of District*	*Waiting List*
1.	Ahmednagar	6867
2.	Amravati	4439
3.	Aurangabad	11404
4.	Akola	3467
5.	Bhandara	1867
6.	Buldana	1344
7.	Bood	1213
8.	Chandrapur	2563
9.	Dhule	2622
10.	Gadchiroli	66
11.	Jalgaon	5779
12.	Jalna	1570
13.	Kalyan	29644
14.	Kolhapur	10946
15.	Latur	2506
16.	Nanded	3076
17.	Nagpur	24978
18.	Nasik	12437
19.	Osmanabad	632
20.	Parbhani	952
21.	Pune	46925
22.	Raigad	1987
23.	Ratnagiri	1978
24.	Sindhdurg	477
25.	Satara	5141
26.	Sangli	5276
27.	Solapur	7123
28.	Wardha	1112
29.	Yevatmal	1097
30.	Bombay excluding Thane and Bhyander	214036
31.	Thane and New Bombay in Thane District	29219
32.	New Bombay area in Raigad District	1320
	Total	444063

[Translation]

Rehabilitation of Indians Leaving Abroad

3898. SHRI KASHIRAM RANA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Indians who had to leave the country where they were residing for several years during the last two years, country-wise; and

(b) the details of the steps taken by the Government to rehabilitate those Indians in those countries itself?